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Mr. OWENS changed his vote from "nay" to "yea."

So the Journal was approved.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

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ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDING AMENDMENT PROCESS FOR H.R. 2418, ORGAN PROCUREMENT AND TRANSPLANTATION NETWORK AMENDMENTS OF 1999

Mr. GOSS. Mr. Speaker, this afternoon a "Dear Colleague" letter will be sent to all Members informing them that the Committee on Rules is planning to meet the week of March 27 to grant a rule which may limit the amendment process on H.R. 2418, the Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network Amendments of 1999.

Any Member who wishes to offer an amendment should submit 55 copies and a brief explanation of the amendment by 12 noon on Tuesday, March 28, to the Committee on Rules in Room H-312 in the Capitol. Amendments should be drafted to the text of the bill as reported by the Committee on Commerce.

Members should use the Office of Legislative Council to ensure that their amendments are properly drafted and should check with the Office of the Parliamentarian to be certain their amendments comply with the rules of the House. Again, this is the Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network Amendments of 1999.

Mr. MOAKLEY. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. GOSS. I yield to the gentleman from Massachusetts.

Mr. MOAKLEY. Mr. Speaker, we are talking about the organ transplant bill?

Mr. GOSS. The gentleman is correct.

Mr. MOAKLEY. Is this the bill that we will eventually work on, unlike the budget that we are voting on today that was constructed at 3 o'clock this morning without anybody testifying on it?

Mr. GOSS. Reclaiming my time from the distinguished gentleman, the ranking member of the Committee on Rules, who I am delighted to see this morning again, I will assure the gentleman, to the best of my knowledge, this will proceed in the normal way of the Committee on Rules business and should be discovered on your desk at the Committee on Rules meeting time as we normally do at the daylight hour.

We will hopefully proceed through a hearing process and hopefully proceed through the rulemaking process in a timely fashion with the cooperation of the gentleman's minority party.

Mr. MOAKLEY. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. GOSS. Of course, I yield to the gentleman from Massachusetts.

Mr. MOAKLEY. I appreciate my friend yielding. I have not seen him since 3 o'clock this morning, and also the wonderful chairman we have here, I have not seen him since 3 o'clock this morning.

Mr. DREIER. Why did the gentleman leave so early?

Mr. MOAKLEY. I had to catch a bus, but the only thing I want to be sure is that all the efforts that we go to in getting ready for this piece, if this is going to be the bill that we are ultimately going to vote on, unlike the budget bill that was put before us at 2:30 this morning, after being constructed in the dark of night in some den by I do not know who, but that bill never saw a committee, and it was never voted on by a committee. I want to make sure that is the way it is going to go.

Mr. GOSS. Reclaiming my time, I can assure the gentleman that is my understanding. We are fortunate to have the chairman of the Committee on Rules here who can give the gentleman further assurance. I shall yield to him.

Mr. DREIER. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. GOSS. I yield to the gentleman from California.

Mr. DREIER. Mr. Speaker, let us not have a vote on his assessment.

Mr. MOAKLEY. I thank the gentleman.

Mr. DREIER. I thank my friend for yielding. Let me assure my colleague, who was in his office I know last night at 8:29 last evening, the gentleman received 99.9 percent of this budget package that we had. And I know that the gentleman spent the following several hours carefully scrutinizing this legislation. I think that he will find when we have this vote today it is a very responsible, appropriate way to move ahead with this.

I thank the gentleman for yielding.

Mr. GOSS. Reclaiming my time from the chairman, I yield further to the distinguished ranking member.

Mr. MOAKLEY. Mr. Speaker, there was an additional \$5 billion added that was not in the bill when we heard it.

Mr. DREIER. I do not know about \$5 billion that was added.

Mr. MOAKLEY. The gentleman does not know that. Maybe we should take more time to look at it.

Mr. DREIER. We looked closely at it.

Mr. GOSS. Mr. Speaker, I reclaim my time and assure the distinguished gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. MOAKLEY) that the next piece of business we hope to see on the floor which I am about to call up will give us the opportunity to discuss further matters of interest that he has raised.

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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ON THE BUDGET, FISCAL YEAR 2001

Mr. GOSS. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up

House Resolution 446 ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 446

Resolved, That at any time after the adoption of this resolution the Speaker may, pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule XVIII, declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for consideration of the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 290) establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2001, revising the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2000, and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for each of fiscal years 2002 through 2005. The first reading of the concurrent resolution shall be dispensed with. Points of order against consideration of the concurrent resolution for failure to comply with clause 4(a) of rule XIII are waived. General debate shall not exceed three hours, with two hours of general debate confined to the congressional budget equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Budget, and one hour of general debate on the subject of economic goals and policies equally divided and controlled by Representative Saxton of New Jersey and Representative Stark of California or their designees. After general debate the concurrent resolution shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule. It shall be in order to consider as an original concurrent resolution for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in part A of the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution. That amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be considered as read. All points of order against that amendment in the nature of a substitute are waived. No amendment to that amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be in order except those printed in part B of the report of the Committee on Rules. Each amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, and shall not be subject to amendment. All points of order against the amendment printed in part B of the report are waived except that the adoption of an amendment in the nature of a substitute shall constitute the conclusion of consideration of amendments to the amendment in the nature of a substitute made in order as original text. After the conclusion of consideration of the concurrent resolution for amendment and a final period of general debate, which shall not exceed 10 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Budget, the Committee shall rise and report the concurrent resolution to the House with such amendment as may have been adopted. Any Member may demand a separate vote in the House on any amendment adopted in the Committee of the Whole to the concurrent resolution or to the amendment in the nature of a substitute made in order as original text. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the concurrent resolution and amendments thereto to final adoption without intervening motion except amendments offered by the chairman of the Committee on the Budget pursuant to section 305(a)(5) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 to achieve mathematical consistency. The concurrent resolution shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question of its adoption.